



THE TREASURY



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TREASURY ADVICE ON THE GOVERNMENT SUBMISSION TO THE AUSTRALIAN FAIR PAY COMMISSION

I refer to recent claims that the Treasury recommended to the Government that it nominate a specific dollar figure in the Government's submission to the Australian Fair Pay Commission (AFPC) on minimum wages.

These claims are false.

Rather, the Treasury recommended that the Australian Government submission to the AFPC support an increase in minimum wages without recommending a specific quantum of minimum wage increase.

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